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Evidentiary Document No. 5446.

SYNOI IS - SOLOMONS ISLANDS,  
GILBERT AND ELLICOTT ISLANDS, NAU  
AND OCEAN ISLAND.

Prosecution Document No. 5447 is a record of the interrogation of Captain Watanabe, Kaoru and Major Ito, Taichi, both of 17 Army I.P. Unit. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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In the course of the interrogation it was admitted that two American airmen who had come down in the sea between Taiof Island and Porton in Bougainville were beheaded on orders of H.Q. 17 Army. This happened in December, 1943.

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Prosecution Document No. 5452 is a Netherlands Forces Intelligence Service report. I tender it for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

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This report states that nine Ambonese members of N.E.I. forces were executed by the Japanese at Bougainville in 1944 for stealing food.

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Prosecution Document No. 5262 is affidavit of Cher Chee a Chinese civilian captured in Hong Kong. I tender the document for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

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I will read the marked excerpts of this affidavit.

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Prosecution Document No. 5263 is record of interrogation of KANESHIRO FUKUKAN a Formosan. I tender this document for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

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The deponent said that in December, 1942, or January, 1943, 600 white prisoners of war landed on Ballah Island. He was told that one was beheaded by a Japanese OZAKI on the night they landed. On night of 30 June, 1943, Ballah Island was shelled. The Japs were afraid of an allied landing and killed by bayonets or swords the surviving prisoners.

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Prosecution Document No. 5425 is an affidavit by Lt. Commander Otsuki, Toshi iko of 18th Naval Construction Battalion. I tender it in evidence.

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The deponent says that towards the end of 1942, 527 white prisoners were brought to Bellah Island. They were to be used as labour for the construction of an aerodrome. He says, "On watching the POWs as they were disembarking from the transport although there were some who were extremely "peppy" the majority of them were so weak that they could not walk by themselves and were only barely able to do so with the help of their comrades." On the night the prisoners landed one was alleged to have attempted to escape. Upon recapture he was executed on instructions of deponent. Prisoners died rapidly owing to disease. At one stage three deaths were occurring daily. A large number of prisoners were killed by allied bombing.

A defence plan of the island was prepared. Under this prisoners of war were to be killed if an allied landing was made on the island. In April, 1943, news was received of the approach of allied ships. The surviving prisoners, about 90, were then bayoneted to death by the Japanese in accordance with plan.

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I refer the Tribunal to Prosecution Document No. 409A which is in evidence as Exhibit No.

I propose to read paragraph 8.

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Prosecution Document No. 5398 contains the proceedings of an inquest held at Tarawa in October, 1944. I tender the proceedings for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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The coroner found that twenty-two prisoners were killed by the Japanese at Bellah, Tarawa on or about 15th October, 1942. At about that time American planes had bombed Japanese shipping at the island. After this had happened the Japanese beheaded the prisoners eighteen of whom were coast watchers in the service of the New Zealand Government.

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Prosecution Document No. 5248 is affidavit of Mr. Taua, a civilian. I tender it for identification and marked excerpts in evidence

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The deponent says that on the night of the first Allied bombing of Nauru five white prisoners, including Colonel Chalmers were beheaded by the Japanese.

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Prosecution Document No. 5252 is a statement by LEE CHONG NONG, a Chinese. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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The deponent was house boy to Colonel Chalmers. An American bombing raid took place on 25th March, 1943. Deponent never saw Colonel Chalmers or other European prisoners after this. He noticed that there was blood on the floor of the house where the Europeans had lived.

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Prosecution Document No. 5246 is a record of interrogation of David Murdoch a Gilbertese. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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Murdoch was on Ocean Island up to July, 1943. There were six Europeans on the island. They were beaten and starved by the Japanese. Two of the Europeans had died by July, 1943. The Japs beheaded three natives for stealing early in 1943. Later the same year the Japanese erected an electric wire around Ooma Point. Three natives were told to race to the wire. As the natives touched the wire they were killed by electrocution.

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Prosecution Document No. 5245 is record of interrogation of KABUNARE a native of NIKUNAU ISLAND. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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Kabunare states that all Europeans on Ocean Island died or were killed. There were about 100 natives on the island when the war ended. The Japanese formed them into sections and marched them away. The hands of the natives of KABUNARE'S section were tied. They were lined up on the edge of a cliff and the Japs opened fire. KABUNARE recovered consciousness in the sea. There were a lot of dead bodies around him. He hid in a cave. Later the Japanese towed the dead bodies out to sea. KABUNARE remained hidden until 2nd. December, 1945, when he first learnt that the Allies were in occupation of the island.

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Prosecution Document No. 5247 is a record of interrogation of Lieutenant Sakata, Jiro of 67 Garrison Regiment. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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Sakata says that in October, 1944, the natives on the island, about 100, were rounded up and killed by the Japanese.

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Prosecution Document No. 5427 is a statement by Chief Petty Officer AIAI, KANUZO. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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AIAI gives an account of the killing of 8 natives on Ocean Island on 20th August.

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That completes the evidence relating to this section of the phase.



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檢閱圖書類至四邑縣(憲兵隊支那隊尉渡邊重三)該隊佐佐藤  
不二重設(訪問書)予之。之(檢證)有(又)印(附)有(簡所)有(檢査)有(書)記  
三(提出)之。

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検察図書類不五五二舞、<sup>x</sup>イノ<sup>x</sup>軍<sup>x</sup>部<sup>x</sup>報<sup>x</sup>事<sup>x</sup>字<sup>x</sup>下<sup>x</sup>ニ<sup>x</sup>シ<sup>x</sup>テ<sup>x</sup>檢<sup>x</sup>査<sup>x</sup>ト<sup>x</sup>シ<sup>x</sup>  
 一<sup>x</sup>附<sup>x</sup>々<sup>x</sup>箇<sup>x</sup>所<sup>x</sup>ヲ<sup>x</sup>取<sup>x</sup>出<sup>x</sup>ス<sup>x</sup>ル<sup>x</sup>ヲ<sup>x</sup>書<sup>x</sup>目<sup>x</sup>ト<sup>x</sup>シ<sup>x</sup>提<sup>x</sup>出<sup>x</sup>ス<sup>x</sup>ル<sup>x</sup>ニ<sup>x</sup>ス<sup>x</sup>。

此報告書は、九四年の十二月に於て蘭印軍中、九人下士の  
食物竊取故に以て懲罰せし事を書き記したる。

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校察圖書類本三六三第、台漢人、金城福、音談、記問書字、  
此書類、檢出、孤本、即、多箇所、書志、之、是、教、之、。

証人陳述依りて、一九四二年五月頃より或は一九四三年一月下りまで  
 百人白人信濃丸に在りし陸軍兵、其中、人の日本人兵士より著  
 しく自甘し、事を聞かせる。一九四二年六月三十日、夜に在りし名の砲撃

サレタ。日本人は聯合軍、上陸ヲ恐レテ殘存居る者皆殺シ  
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檢閱圖書類 不五四三二一 宋十人海軍政官隊

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長尾崎憲彦<sup>トシヒコ</sup>中尉ノ口供書デアリマス。  
之ヲ書證トシテ提出致シマス。

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證人ノ陳述ニ依リマス。一九四二年ノ暮ニ、五ニセ人ノ白人俘虜ガバラシ島ニ輸送サレ、飛行場建設ノ為ノ勞働ニ使用サレル事ニナツテ居リマシタ。證人ノ言葉通りニ申シマス。輸送船カウ上陸シテ来ル、捕虜ノ状況ヲ見マス。中ニ仲々元氣ナ者モアリマシタガ、大部分ハ衰弱カ甚シク、獨リテ歩行出来ズ、戦友ニ扶ケラレテ、漸ク歩ケルト云フ者ガ、相ち多クアリマシタ。トノ事デアリマス。上陸当夜一俘虜ハ脱走ヲ企テテ逮捕サレ直クニ證人ノ指令ニ依リ處刑サレタノデアリマス。俘虜ハ疾患ノ為ニ急速ニ倒レテ行キ、或ル時期ノ如キ連日三人ツツノ死セヨ見タヲアリマシタ。非常ニ多ク教ノ俘虜ガ聯合軍ノ爆撃ヲ依リ死セ致シマシタ。

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同島防禦計畫ガ準備サレマシタ。此ノ計畫ニ從ヘバ、萬一聯合軍カ此ノ島ニ上陸ラ決行スレバ俘虜達ハ殺戮サレル事ニナリテ居リマシタ。一九四三年四月聯合軍ノ艦船ガ近接シツ、アルコトカ報セラレタ。生存シテ居タ俘虜約九十名ハ計畫通り日本人ニ依リ銃剣ヲ刺殺サレタノデアリマス。

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書證第

第トシテ提出サレテ居ル檢察團書

類第四ノ九號ノAニ該廷ノ注意ヲ喚起致シマス。

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其ノ第八段ヲ朗讀スニ稀田提唱 致シマス。

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檢察圖書目類第五三九八號ハ一九四四年十月二タウノ平  
行ハレタ訊問ノ記録ガ合コシテ居リマス。此ノ記録ヲ檢證トシ按  
幸ノ印ノ附イタ箇所ヲ書證トシテ提出 致シマス。

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檢屍官ハ一九四三年十月十五日又ハ十五日頃ニタウノノベリオ  
ニ三人ノ俘虜ガ日本人ニ依リ殺戮セラル事案ヲ発見 致シ  
シタ。其ノ期日頃ニ米軍飛行機ガ日本軍同島上陸船ヲ爆  
撃シタアリマス。此ノ爆撃後ニ日本軍ハ俘虜ヲ斬首  
シタモノデ、ソノ俘虜中ノ十人ハニエニエト政府軍海岸監  
視員アリマス。

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檢察圖書目類第五三九八號ハ民間人タウノノ音証氏ノ口供  
書アリマス。此ヲ檢證ノ爲ニ又按幸ノ印ノ附イタ箇所  
ヲ書證トシテ提出 致シマス。

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音証人ノ申シ立テニ依リマス。第一回聯合軍ガ「十  
ル」ヲ爆撃シタ夜、チャルマース大佐コ合シ五人ノ白人俘  
虜ガ日本人ニ依リ斬首セラルアリマス。

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檢察書類第五二四五号ハ、ニクナウ島 / NIKUNAU ISLAND /、エ  
ナルカブナレ / KABUNARE / ニカル訊問、記録デアリマス。私ハコ  
レヲ檢證トシ、其標記セル抜萃ヲ證據トシテ提出致シマス。

カブナレ、陳述ニヨルニオニオン島ニオツタ西洋人ハ凡テ死亡シ若  
クハ殺害サシマシタ。戦争ヲ終ツタ時ニハ此島ニハ約百名、エ人が居タ。  
日本人ハ是等ヲ幾ツカ、班ニ別ケテ、他ニ連行シマシタ。カブナレ、班、  
エ人ハ兩キヲ縛ラシテ居リ。是等ヲ崖、端ニ列バセテ置イテ、日本  
人ハ是ヲ射撃シマシタ。カブナレハ海中ニテ意識ヲ回復シマ  
シタ。彼、周リニハ死骸ガ一杯アリマシタ。彼ハツ、洞穴ノ中ニ隠  
レマシタ。其後日本人ハ死骸ヲ海上ニ曳キ去リマシタ。カブナレ  
ハ一九四五年十二月二日マデ、即チ、此島ガ聯合軍ニヨツテ占領サ  
レタ事ヲ始メテ知ツタ時迄隠レテ居リマシタ。

檢察書類第五二四七号ハ、第六十七守備隊 坂田次郎中尉  
ノ、SAKATA, Jiro 音訳 / 訊問、記録デアリマス。

私ハコレヲ檢證トシ、其標記セル抜萃ヲ證據トシテ提出致シマス。

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坂田、言つ処ニヨレハ、一九四四年十月、此ノ島ニ、外人約百人が  
居リマシタガ、日本人ニヨリテ集メラレテ殺サレマシタ。

捜査書類第五四三三号ハ、兵曹長セシ井角藏

／ARAI KAKUZO 音訳／ニヨル陳述デアリマス。私ハ之ヲ

検証トシ、其標記セル板葦ヲ證據トシテ提出セシマス。

荒井ハ八月五日、オーショシ島ニ於ケル外人、外人殺害ニ関  
スル陳述ヲなシテ居リマス。

以上ヲ以テ此部面ニ関スル證據ヲ完了セシマス。

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檢察書類第五三三號、中国人 リー・チョン・ウォン / LEE CHONG WONG / 陳述デキマス。私、之ヲ檢證トシ其標記セル拔萃箇所ヲ證據トシテ提出致シマス。

證人、ケルバー大佐 / COL. CHALMERS / ホーイデテマシタ。一九四三年三月二十五日米軍、爆撃カヤリマシタ。此時以後證人、ケルバー大佐モ其他西洋人俘虜ヲモ見タ事カヤリマセン。彼、云フ所ニヨリ、西洋人導カレテ居タ部屋、床ニ血痕ガツイテ居タヲ見マシタ。

檢察書類第五四六號、ギバート島人 タレデウ・マードック / DAVID MURDOCK / ニ對シテ訊問、記録デキマス。私、之ヲ檢證トシ其標記セル拔萃ヲ證據トシテ提出致シマス。

マードックハ一九四三年七月マデオー・シヨニ島 / OCEAN ISLAND / ニ居リマシタ。此島ニハ、名、西洋人が居マシタ。彼等ハ日本人、ヲ殺サセシメ且ツ機エサセマシタ。西洋人、内ニ名、一九四三年七月頃デ死ニマシタ。一九四三年初メ頃ニ日本人、三人、去人ヲ竊盗、故ヲ以テ斬首シマシタ。其後同年、日本人、オオマ岬 / OOMA POINT / 周囲デ電線ヲ架設シ、三人、去人ニ此線デ競走サセマシタ。去人建、此電線ニ觸レルト同時ニ感電ニヨリ死ニマシタ。

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